

Application No. 10/596,557
Election dated December 27, 2007
Reply to Office Action dated December 17, 2007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Applicant: Claude LaPinte et al.
Serial No.: 10/596,557
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Title: REACTIVE OXYGEN
DETECTING AND/OR
ABSORBING COMPOUND,
METHOD FOR
Group Art Unit: 1625
Examiner: John Mabry
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement set forth by the Examiner in the Office Action dated December 17, 2007, Applicants hereby elect, without prejudice, the invention of Group I (Claims 1-11) for prosecution in the present patent application. Applicants hereby respectfully reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications regarding the non-elected invention of Groups II and III (Claims 12 and 13).

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In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated, after each group of claims on page 2, that "a further election of single disclosed species is required". To the extent that the Examiner has set forth an Election of Species Requirement in addition to the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner did not indicate the various species to which such an election should be directed. If the Examiner intends to set forth an Election of Species Requirement, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to indicate the various species to which such an election should be directed.

It is believed that the above represents a complete response to the Official Action. In the event Applicants have overlooked the need for an extension of time or payment of fee, Applicants hereby petition therefor and authorize that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 02-0385, Baker & Daniels.

If any question concerning this application should arise, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 260-460-1695.

Respectfully submitted,



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